

WE NEED MAGES

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EXT. CITY STREET - DAY.

A very crowded STREET with citizens and merchants screaming their products. A MAN with a BAG is running, pushing people and destroying some MERCHANT's STANDS. Closely, a WOMAN with WESTERN-LIKE CLOTHES is chasing him while helping and fixing what she can.

They get out of the crowded part of the STREET, now at a more empty space. The MAN, with distance advantage, looks behind and sees the WOMAN still chasing him.

The MAN stops and touches his RING. Then, with the same hand, touches the floor and levitates a ROCK in front of him. He then puts his palm in front of it.

MAN.

Have this!

The ROCK gets fired and gains momentum, heading at great speed towards the WOMAN. She sees it and spins to her side, evading the ROCK just for a bit, looking it at centimeters from her face. She takes her LASSO and surrounds the ROCK with it. She pushes herself upfront and with force, spins to redirect the ROCK towards the MAN.

WOMAN.

No thank you, I give it back!

She releases the ROCK and returns back at full speed to the MAN. He looks behind and sees it. He takes another BIG ROCK from the ground, just to use it as shield. Both ROCKS crash and the impact pushes him away. The force leaves him laying on the floor.

The WOMAN walks to him and sees him unconscious.

WOMAN. (CONTINUE)

I must say, your magic "rocks".

She leans to him and grab his BAG. Searches around it and sees an OLD HAIRPIN. HEATHER puts it in her JACKET's POCKET and puts the BAG back.

Before leaving, she takes the RING's MAN from him.

When she gets up, some MEN arrive at the STREET. Each FIVE of them wears a WHITE, SHINING ARMOR with a CROW at the front. Together form a barricade to surround HEATHER.

WOMAN. (CONTINUE)

Hey, here they are, my favorite people, the NAMBAGSEN MAGIC KINGDOM GUARD! Long time no see!

(MORE)

WOMAN. (CONTINUE) (CONT'D)
 Let me guess, ANGELO couldn't meet
 us today.

ANGELO.
 Quite the opposite.

Another "GUARD" comes in. CAPTAIN ANGELO, a MAN with a skin more shining than his armor and hair so blonde that could be confused with the sun rays. Contrary to the other SOLDIER's armor, his has a few scratches and green stains.

WOMAN.
 (Sarcastic) Of course he's here
 (hiding frustration) CAPTAIN
 ANGELO, sir, hello there! what are
 you doing here?

ANGELO.
 None of your business, HEATHER,
 just as this criminal right here
 or...

HEATHER.
 The others I stopped for the last
 three weeks, yeah. Your welcome, by
 the way.

ANGELO.
 You are interfering with the NMKG's
 job.

HEATHER.
 Which is pretty bad already.

ANGELO.
 And harming our reputation.

HEATHER.
 First of all, your reputation is
 your problem. People get tired of
 waiting for your lazy butts and
 they call us...

ANGELO.
 A bunch of vigilantes working in an
 illegitimate "magic guild".

HEATHER.
 Sure, let's call it that, a small
 group of MAGES without the
 NAMBAGSEN KINGDOM's resources is
 doing your job better.

ANGELO.
You're way out of line.

HEATHER.
When did that ever mattered to me?

HEATHER walks towards CAPTAIN ANGELO, with a dead serious expression on her face.

HEATHER. (CONTINUE)
Let's face it, the NMKG...which is extremely large, please change it, has been absent lately and my team is the only one keeping the crime at bay. So you better move aside and let me do my job...CAPTAIN.

ANGELO looks at her and rolls his eyes. Moves aside and HEATHER leaves the NAMBAGSEN MAGIC KINGDOM GUARD's barricade.

HEATHER. (CONTINUE)
Who would know? You can be quite a gentleman.

ANGELO.
The BAG he's carrying, did he had anything with him?

HEATHER looks at him, emotionless. Then smiles.

HEATHER.
I don't know, I didn't checked it.

ANGELO.
Get lost.

HEATHER.
Will do, also here.

HEATHER throws the RING back to CAPTAIN ANGELO.

HEATHER. (CONT'D)
It's his SOULMATE, keep it away unless you want trouble.

ANGELO.
Hey, you took him down, we can too.

HEATHER.
Sure thing honey.

HEATHER walks away while the GUARD takes the MAN under arrest, tying him up. ANGELO takes the RING and puts it on his POCKET.

SOLDIER.
All set, CAPTAIN.

ANGELO.
Good, let's go. NAMBAGSEN PRISON
will receive a new inmate today.

While the NMKG leaves, HEATHER keeps walking.

HEATHER.
Oh man, all my body hurts, I should
stop pushing myself too hard,
EVELYN is going to kill me.

She sees her WATCH.

HEATHER. (CONT'D)
Great, just in time for MISS LALA's
appointment. I wonder if EVELYN's
there already.

INT. TRAINING ROOM - DAY.

A closed ROOM with an ARENA-LIKE space at the center. On it,
an OLD MAN and a WOMAN are sparring with wooden sticks. The
WOMAN has a WHITE GLOVE on her right hand.

OLD MAN.
You're getting better.

WOMAN.
Thanks!

The OLD MAN takes her stick away, leaving her unarmed.

OLD MAN.
But still not good enough!

The OLD MAN raises his wooden stick. The WOMAN blocks the
attack with her right arm.

WOMAN.
Where you saying?

The WOMAN takes the OLD MAN stick, pushes him on the floor
and points it at his face, smiling.

OLD MAN.
Great session, EVELYN!

EVELYN.
Thanks MR. EVERGREEN, sorry if I
pushed too hard today.

EVERGREEN.

Of course not, I was hired to train you, after all. I'm glad you getting the hand of it. Get it?

EVELYN smirks a little while she grabs her RIGHT ARM.

EVELYN.

I do, I do.

EVERGREEN.

All right, let's take a break before continue.

EVELYN.

Actually, Sir, I have a meeting with a client so I'll leave early today, if it's not a problem.

EVERGREEN.

Are you kidding me? I am perfectly ok with taking a nap.

EVELYN.

Great, so, see you later!

EVERGREEN.

Sure thing, keep it going girl, you'll get use to it. Mind if you close up? I'll go rest my back.

EVELYN.

Of course.

MR. EVERGREEN leaves the ROOM. EVELYN takes out her training shirt and sees her BROWN PROSTHETIC ARM with the WHITE GLOVE on it. She touches it and feels a scratch from the stick.

EVELYN. (CONTINUE).

Just a bit more.

EXT. RED WING, GUILD - DAY.

EVELYN arrives at RED WING, the MAGIC GUILD, a THREE-FLOOR BUILDING at the outsides of the CITY. It looks like an OLD MANSION except for the GUILD LOGO hanging at a FLAG located at the CENTER.

Before going inside, she takes a quick look at a BOARD at a side of the entrance, then proceed to go through some WANTED posters posted on it.

EVELYN.
Rat infestation? Date required?
Cooking contest? How does any of
this involve magic?

She focuses her sight on a POSTER, requesting to find a
MISSING PERSON who disappeared a few days ago.

EVELYN. (CONT'D)
Missing librarian? This seems
promising.

EVELYN takes the WANTED poster, folds it and keeps it in her
pockets. She then goes inside the building.

INT. RED WING, GUILD - DAY.

A big room with tables and chairs, with a COUNTER at the end
and several bottles of different drinks. EVELYN sees an OLD
WOMAN sitting in front of the COUNTER, with a sad face.
Meanwhile, HEATHER is on a side of the entrance.

HEATHER.
EVELYN!

EVELYN jumps and looks at HEATHER, angry.

EVELYN.
(Startles) No! We talked about
this!

HEATHER.
Relax, I wanted to surprise you!

EVELYN.
Yes and I said, no surprises,
remember?

HEATHER.
I actually don't.

EVELYN.
Never mind.

HEATHER.
I already did!

EVELYN.
How much has she been waiting for
me?

HEATHER.

Oh don't worry, she just arrived.
Go on, talk to her.

EVELYN.

Are you sure? I mean, you are the
owner.

HEATHER.

Yes, but she hired you so just go,
give her the good news. Here.

HEATHER throws the OLD HAIRPIN and EVELYN catches it. Saves
it on her POCKET and walks to MISS LALA, who's eyes open wide
when sees her, even getting up from her chair in a second.

EVELYN.

MISS LALA, sorry for making you
wait.

MISS LALA.

EVELYN, I'm so glad to see you and
it's fine. Tell me, did you got it?

EVELYN.

Yes.

EVELYN takes out the OLD HAIRPIN from her POCKET and gives
her to MISS LALA. HEATHER comes closer.

MISS LALA.

Oh my god, where did you found it?

EVELYN.

Actually, HEATHER did.

HEATHER.

Yeah, it was a MAGIC USER, he had
in in his BAG, I captured him this
morning but only thanks to EVELYN's
research yesterday.

MISS LALA.

Oh dear, thank you so much.

MISS LALA hugs both of them and then touches her OLD HAIRPIN.

Then, she takes out a half-done SCARF, some NEEDLE and
THREAD, puts them on the COUNTER. She takes the HAIRPIN and
puts it on her hair. LALA raises her hand and the NEEDLE
floats, taking the THREAD and finishing the SCARF on it's
own. HEATHER and EVELYN look at her from behind.

MISS LALA. (CONTINUE)
 I found this HAIRPIN last year,
 while scrapping OLD JUNK, and the
 moment I touched it, I felt like
 something I didn't knew I lost,
 returned to me. I am 71 years old,
 I gave up hope in finding my
 SOULMATE decades ago. But now, I
 got it back, thanks to you.

EVELYN.
 A pleasure, MISS LALA.

MISS LALA saves her OLD HAIRPIN and hugs the GIRLS again.

MISS LALA.
 Thanks HEATHER, EVELYN, here is the
 MONEY.

MISS LALA shows an ENVELOP and extends her hand at HEATHER.
 She hesitates, while she doesn't want to take it. EVELYN is
 also worried.

HEATHER.
 You know, MISS LALA...

MISS LALA.
 My dear, I know you want to help
 people but you are running a
 BUSINESS too, aren't you? You
 surely don't want to have people
 here wanting you GIRLS to work for
 free.

HEATHER and EVELYN both look at each other, then HEATHER
 takes the envelop.

HEATHER.
 Thanks!

MISS LALA.
 No, thank you my child. I better be
 going. Talk to you later!

MISS LALA leaves the GUILD, walking happily to the DOOR.

HEATHER.
 So strong.

EVELYN.
 And sweet.

HEATHER.

And cool.

EVELYN.

She reminds me of my GRANDMA.

Both look at MISS LALA leave.

HEATHER.

Can I cry?

EVELYN.

Maybe later.

EXT. CITY CENTER - DAY.

STORES and BUILDINGS destroyed, with big chunks of ROCKS landed on top of them. The FLOOR is severely damaged and GUARDS lay unconscious, some of them in pain. CAPTAIN ANGELO is the only one standing, tired and hurt.

In front of him, the MAN with ROCK MAGIC lands, making a crater on the FLOOR, while ROCKS float around him.

ROCK MAN.

CAPTAIN ANGELO, you look tired.

ANGELO.

But...how?

ROCK MAN.

A decoy, its very easy to fool people into thinking something is your SOULMATE...

ROCK MAN proceeds to touch his NECKLACE.

ROCK MAN. (CONT'D)

...while it's not.

CAPTAIN ANGELO gets up, ready to keep fighting.

ANGELO.

Final warning, surrender, now.

ROCK MAN.

I don't feel like it. I must thank you, ANGELO. Thanks to you, the CRIMINAL I needed to release from PRISON is finally free. My mission is complete. Now...

ROCKS begin to gather atop of ANGELO, ready to fall and crush him. He's aware of them.

ROCK MAN. (CONTINUE)
Now, get out of my sight.

The ROCKS land strong, covering the area where ANGELO is and lifting huge amounts of dust.

After the area is cleared, there is no sign of the CAPTAIN.

ROCK MAN. (CONTINUE)
Huh, he got away.

INT. RED WING, GUILD - DAY.

HEATHER and EVELYN are having a drink while talking. HEATHER is having a BEER while EVELYN is drinking WINE.

HEATHER.
MISS LALA was very happy.

EVELYN.
I know, and her magic was amazing!

HEATHER.
I'm glad she was in the 1%. Hey, maybe we'll see her again.

EVELYN.
Let's drink to that.

Both toast and take a sip from their drinks.

HEATHER.
Also, EVE, you did great.

EVELYN.
Yeah, it's very rewarding.

HEATHER.
More than working for the MERCHANT
's GUILD, for sure, defending
people out there and not being
behind a DESK all day.

EVELYN.
I mean, the pay is not that good,
but it's nice not work for the
DIAMOND KING. Besides, all this
exists thanks to you!

HEATHER.

Fair enough.

EVELYN takes a sip from her WINE, while HEATHER drinks the whole BEER in one stand.

EVELYN.

Damn.

HEATHER.

Yeah, my entire body hurts.

EVELYN prepares to scold her.

HEATHER. (CONT'D)

I know but please, leave it for tomorrow.

EVELYN.

Fine. So, the ROCK MAGIC guy.

HEATHER.

Did you liked the pun? It was a very little funny pun.

EVELYN.

It was, and ANGELO tried to stop you.

HEATHER.

Like that's new.

EVELYN.

I know. However, we should plan a meeting with the MAYOR. You know, so we can be a legit business? Having the NAMBAGSEN MAGIC KINGDOM GUARD watching us isn't a good thing.

HEATHER.

Seriously, too long. And relax EVELYN, everything's going to be ok, don't worry about these things.

EVELYN.

Well somebody has to.

The DOOR opens and CAPTAIN ANGELO, injured and barely conscious, walks inside RED WING.

HEATHER.

ANGELO?

HEATHER and EVELYN stand up and walk to him, but a few steps later, he falls in the floor, totally knocked out.

HEATHER. (CONT'D)
Well this is new.

EVELYN.
Come on, let's help him!

HEATHER.
Do we have to?

EVELYN.
HEATHER!

HEATHER.
All right, fine!

ANGELO wakes up, tied up in a chair, with water and a fancy meal in front of him. EVELYN and HEATHER look at him.

ANGELO.
Ugh, my head. Wait.

ANGELO realizes he's tied up and reacts angry.

ANGELO. (CONT'D)
what is this? Why I'm a tied up in a chair? This is preposterous!

HEATHER.
I'm regretting this already.

EVELYN.
CAPTAIN, what are you doing here?

HEATHER.
You said you wouldn't come here with your silly NK...whatever!

ANGELO.
Look, I'm tired, I'm scratched and I'm literally at the brink of passing out again and also, I don't have any GUARDS with me, so what the hell?

EVELYN.
He's right.

HEATHER.
We didn't think this through.

ANGELO.
Enough with this, The ROCK MAGIC
MAN escaped.

HEATHER.
That's a very cool name, honestly.

ANGELO.
Focus, please! He destroyed the
NAMBAGSEN PRISON, there's havoc
across the entire CITY.

EVELYN.
But how? Didn't you...?

HEATHER.
Damn.

ANGELO.
Yeah, he faked his SOULMATE.

EVELYN.
So what's your plan?

ANGELO.
The entire GUARD has been defeated,
reinforcements won't arrive in
time, so...I...may...need...

HEATHER.
Wait, don't worry, I'll ease your
suffering. Are you hiring us?

ANGELO.
Yes you obsessed money loader, I'm
asking you to stop him.

HEATHER.
First of all, you didn't, your ego
didn't let you. Second, dreat, we
'll go right away.

ANGELO.
Thank you!

HEATHER.
With one condition.

ANGELO.
Seriously!?

HEATHER.
A meeting with the MAYOR, that's
it.

ANGELO stays quiet and rumbles while he sees anything else beside HEATHER and EVELYN.

EVELYN.
It would help us a lot, CAPTAIN.

ANGELO sighs. He surrenders.

ANGELO.
Fine, just hurry up.

HEATHER.
Deal! You won't regret this!

HEATHER smiles and runs to the back of the BUILDING.

ANGELO.
Where is she going?

EVELYN.
Don't worry, we'll fix this. Sorry
for the inconvenience.

EVELYN unties him.

ANGELO.
He's a HUMAN FORTRESS, can you stop
him by yourselves?

HEATHER.
EVELYN!

HEATHER, with her LASSO and western, work clothes, throws a SPEAR at EVELYN, who catches it with her right hand.

EVELYN.
We're here to defend the people.

HEATHER.
We are RED WING, MAGIC GUILD! Don't
wait up, SQUARELO.

EVELYN and HEATHER leaves the BUILDING. ANGELO lies on the chair.

ANGELO.
What have I done?

EXT. CITY CENTER - DAY.

ROCK MAN destroyed most of the CITY'S CENTER, building a bigger barrier made of ROCK. A couple of GUARDS are trying to escape, until they are spotted.

ROCK MAN.

Where do you think you're going?

ROCK MAN throws at them a ROCK at them, which is cut in half by EVELYN's SPEAR.

ROCK MAN. (CONTINUE)

What!? Who are you?

EVELYN.

Just a rusty hunter.

ROCK MAN touches his NECKLACE and lifts up another ROCK, bigger, to throw at her, which is grab by HEATHER with her LASSO and thrown back at him.

HEATHER.

Sorry, still not into ROCKS.

ROCK MAN.

You again!? You must be utterly idiots if you think you can stop me! I have MAGIC, I can't lose to you. I'm better than you!

HEATHER.

No, you just got lucky, but don't get use to it. It won't last.

ROCK MAN starts lifting more and more ROCKS, ready to bury them on the floor.

HEATHER. (CONTINUE)

Ready?

EVELYN nods and throws her SPEAR at her. She grabs it with the LASSO and launches it at high speed, clearing a path to him. The SPEAR passes right next to the ROCK MAN, making a big HOLE around his FORTRESS, before getting stuck on a BUILDING.

The ROCK MAN looks back to mock them but sees EVELYN getting launched by HEATHER, getting through the HOLE made by the SPEAR. The ROCK MAN lifts a ROCK in front of him but EVELYN destroys with her right arm. She reaches him and takes the NECKLACE by force from his NECK.

ROCK MAN.

How?

EVELYN.

When you lose your ARM on the job, you tend to stop being afraid.

EVELYN crushes the NECKLACE, making all the ROCKS fall, without being controlled. After the landing, ROCK MAN lies on the floor, knocked out.

HEATHER and EVELYN reunites and give each other a high five.

HEATHER.

Are you ok?

EVELYN looks at her right arm, totally destroyed.

EVELYN.

I'll manage.

Both look at the BUILDING behind them where the SPEAR is stuck, a few meters above from them.

EVELYN. (CONTINUE)

We need to get up there.

HEATHER.

Yeah.

EXT. CITY STREET - NIGHT.

Hours later, ANGELO and the NMKG are clearing the mess in the CENTER, while EVELYN and HEATHER are surrounded.

ANGELO.

You caused more destruction to the CITY's CENTER, you acted without any plan or strategy and you got rid of a valuable SOULMATE...but in the end, you dummies saved the day.

HEATHER.

Wait, are you congratulating us?
This is weird.

ANGELO.

And despite my hate towards you...I always fulfill my promises. So I spoke with the MAYOR and she has agreed to meet you in a few days. You will receive the invitation to your GUILD's adress.

HEATHER.

Wow, you do can be nice

ANGELO.

Shut up.

EVELYN.
Thanks CAPTAIN!

ANGELO.
You are welcome. May we never make
business again.

HEATHER.
Agree!

ANGELO leaves with his SOLDIERS to keep the work on cleaning
the CITY's CENTER.

ANGELO.
SOLDIER, please contact COMMANDER
BALTHIER and inform him of this.

SOLDIER.
Of course CAPTAIN.

He looks at HEATHER and EVELYN, worried, before leaving.

Back at them, they are walking away from the scene, happy.

EVELYN.
So, now what?

HEATHER.
Well, in a few days we will become
an official business, so...

EVELYN.
We need recruits.

HEATHER.
I have a better name...

Both look at each other and smile.

EXT. RED WING, GUILD - DAY.

At the BOARD, a sign says "WE NEED MAGES", while a mysterious
shadow looks at it. He takes out a TAROT CARD with the figure
noted, "PRINCESS", surrounded by SNOW while looking at the
DOOR, thinking on going inside the BUILDING. He smiles.

END OF PILOT.